

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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All Department/District Heads

At its meeting held September 28, 2004, the Board took the following action:

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The following statement was entered into the record for Supervisor Burke:

"Breast cancer touches the lives of many Americans, either directly or through the diagnosis of a family member or friend. We have made considerable progress in diagnosing this disease and improving treatments, but we have not ended it. While overall death rates are declining, breast cancer remains the second leading cause of cancer deaths among women. During this 20th annual National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, we recognize the efforts being made to fight breast cancer through prevention, early detection, and aggressive research into new treatments and therapies.

"When breast cancer is confined to the breast, the five-year survival rate is over 95%. Breast cancer is the leading cancer site among American women and is second only to lung cancer in cancer deaths. This year, an estimated 211,300 women and 1,300 men will be diagnosed with invasive breast cancer and approximately 39,800 women and 400 men will die of breast cancer this year. In Los Angeles County 6,690 women will be diagnosed with invasive breast cancer and 1,105 will die.

"For more than 20 years, the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation has been a global leader in the fight against breast cancer through its support of innovative research and community-based outreach programs. Working through a network of United States and international Affiliates and events like the Komen Race for the Cure, the Komen Foundation is fighting to eradicate breast cancer as a life-threatening disease by funding research grants and supporting education, as well as screening and treatment projects in communities around the world.

"The Los Angeles County 'Race For The Cure' will take place on February 27, 2005 at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena."

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Therefore, at the suggestion of Supervisor Burke and on motion of Supervisor Molina, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, unanimously carried (Supervisors Burke and Yaroslavsky being absent), the Board took the following actions:

- 1. Proclaimed the month of October 2004 as "Breast Cancer Awareness Month" throughout Los Angeles County;
- Encouraged all city and government officials, businesses, communities, healthcare professionals, educators, volunteers and everyone throughout Los Angeles County to continue our Nation's strong commitment to controlling and curing breast cancer, and to raise awareness of breast cancer by talking with family and friends about the importance of screening and early detection; and
- 3. Instructed the Auditor-Controller to work with the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, Race for the Cure Committee Chair to arrange printing of Race for the Cure information on the January 2005 employee check stubs with the message: "Fight Breast Cancer join LA County Race for the Cure at the Rose Bowl Sunday, February 27, 2005 call Race Hot Line (626) 577-2700 for entry forms or to volunteer."

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